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TITLE OF INVENTION: FRAMEWORK FOR USER INTERACTION WITH MULTIPLE NETWORK DEVICES

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ALLOWANCE

1. Claims 1 - 3, 5, 11, 13, 15, 16, 18, 19, 26 - 31, 41 - 45 are pending.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENTS

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Kayla Brant on 8-12-2009 for Kasey Christie #40,559.

3. The application has been amended as follows:

Amended Claims are 13, 15, and 16.

13. (Currently Amended) A system embodied on a computer-readable storage medium that facilitates control of a second computing system with a first computing system, comprising:

a first agent programmed on the first computing system that receives local input device data from a local input device; and

a second agent of the second computing system that communicates with the first agent to facilitate control of the second computing system, the local input device triggers routing of the local input device data by the first agent to the second agent based on a

motion of a pointer associated with a switching area on a user interface of the first computing system, wherein:

a location of the switching area on the user interface of the local system is determined based on a physical location of the remote system relative to a physical location of the local system;

the motion of the pointer associated with the switching area is selected from the group consisting of: placing the pointer within the switching area, moving the pointer

in a particular direction within the switching area, moving the pointer within a particular speed range within the switching area, and combinations thereof; and

the first agent transmits clipboard information copied from the first computing system to the second agent to facilitate sharing of clipboard data between the first and second computing systems.

15. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 13, wherein [[a]] the location of the switching area is determined manually by a user who configures a physical orientation of the second computing system with respect to the first computing system, in response to which a first switching area location is determined on the user interface of the first computing system and a second switching area location is determined on a user interface of the second computing system.

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16. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 13, wherein [[a]] the location of the switching area is determined automatically by automatically determining a physical orientation of the second computing system with respect to the first computing system, in response to which the first agent determines placement of the switching area on the user interface of the first computing system based on the determined physical orientation.

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Allowable Subject Matter

4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 1, 13, 26 and 41 are allowed based on the following:

Prior art of record considered individually or in combination, fails to fairly show or suggest: a location of the switching area on the user interface of the local system is determined based on a physical location of the remote system relative to a physical location of the local system; and a location of the switching area is automatically determining a physical orientation of the second computing system with respect to the first computing system, in response to which the first agent determines placement of the switching area on the user interface of the first computing system based on the determined physical orientation and in addition to the other specific limitations in the precise manner as recited in claims 1 - 3, 5, 11, 13, 15, 16, 18, 19, 26 - 31, 41 - 45.

Claims 2, 3, 5, 11 are allowed due to allowed base claim 1.

Claims 15, 16, 18, 19 are allowed due to allowed base claim 13.

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Claims 27 - 31 are allowed due to allowed base claim 26.

Claims 42 - 45 are allowed due to allowed base claim 41

So as indicated by the above statements, Applicant's arguments have been considered persuasive, in light of the set of claims with limitations as well as the enabling portions of the specification. The dependent claims further limit the independent claims and are considered allowable on the same basis as the independent claims as well as for the further limitations set forth.

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- 5. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."
- 6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kyung Hye Shin whose telephone number is (571)272-3920. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:30 am 6 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Tonia L. Dollinger can be reached on (571) 272-4170. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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